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SUBJECT: COFFEE PRICES

REF: STATE 302391

1. FOLLOWING ARE DATA REQUESTED ON COFFEE PRICES AND MARKETING  
REFTEL. PARAGRAPH A THROUGH E CORRESPOND TO QUESTIONS RAISED  
PARAGRAPH 2 OF REFTEL.

A. US \$ .75 A POUND

B. US \$ 61.25 FIRST QUALITY PER 100 POUNDS; US \$55.75 SECOND  
QUALITY PER 100 POUNDS

C. TO INSURE ADEQUATE SUPPLY AND LOW PRICE FOR DOMESTIC CON-  
SUMERS, PRODUCERS REQUIRED TO RETAIN 9 PERCENT OF OUTPUT  
TO BE SOLD AT \$58.335 PER 100 POUNDS TO GOVERNMENT COFFEE  
INSTITUTE. HONDURAS IMPOSES PROGRESSIVE EXPORT TAX ON  
COFFEE AS FOLLOWS: ON PRICE RECEIVED PER 100 POUNDS,  
FIRST \$50 TAXED AT 10 PERCENT, NEXT \$10 TAXED AT 15 PERCENT,  
ANYTHING OVERXDYP TAXED AT 20 PERCENT. AVERAGE EXPORT  
PRICE REALIZED BY HONDURAS 1975/76 WAS \$130.42.

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D. CURRENT PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS DEPENDS ON QUALITY BUT  
AVERAGES \$80 TO \$120 PER 100 POUNDS.

E. 1976/77 HARVEST PREDICTED TO YIELD 956,000 BAGS OF 60  
KG. GREEN COFFEE EQUIVALENT. INCREASE IS RESULT OF GOH  
EXPANSION POLICY. INCENTIVES INCLUDE LOW COST FERTILIZER AND

READILY AVAILABLE CREDIT. BECAUSE OF RECORD HARVEST,  
LARGE BEGINNING STOCKS (128,902 BAGS) AND REDUCED INTERNAL  
CONSUMPTION, EXPORTS FOR 1976-77 ARE FORECAST AT RECORD  
947,302 BAGS.  
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